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In re application of:

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For: Package Assembly and Machine and  
Method for Manufacture Thereof

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

San Francisco, CA 94111  
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Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute the following amended, clean versions of the indicated claims :

Claim 1(original): A machine to produce a package assembly including a flexible strip to which there is attached a plurality of closed bags having end seal areas, the bags being delivered to the machine in an attached configuration connected at the end seal areas, said machine including:

a jaw assembly including a pair of movable opposing jaws that are caused to move to engage the strip and bags located there between to secure the bags to the strip at one of the end seal areas;

a strip delivery mechanism to deliver the strip to the jaws;

a drive assembly to cause movement of the jaws; and